

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

HARTLEY *et al.*

Appl. No. 09/517,466

Filed: March 2, 2000

For: **Compositions and Methods for  
Use in Recombinational Cloning  
of Nucleic Acids**

Confirmation No.: 4289

Art Unit: 1634

Examiner: Johannsen, D.

Atty. Docket: IVGN 223  
(Formerly 0942.4680003)

**Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated **November 18, 2005**, the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated **August 6, 2006** and the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated **November 29, 2006** Applicants submit the following Amendments and Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-3994.